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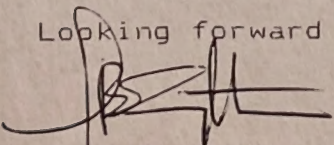
ATTN: Dr. Daniel M. Musher

Dear Sir:

You had once asked me where I came up with the impression that the sensitivity of standard syphilis screening was undersensitive in cases of reinfection or relapse. I enclose one of the references from J. E. Moore. Distinguishing between a relapse and reinfection has always been difficult since reinfection usually assumes the clinical appearance of the original immunising infection. I also enclose another interesting page from Moore.

I just recently discussed many of our concerns around syphilis and HIV infection with James N. Miller, with whom I have had many discussions. As I will be at the ICAAC I asked him if he would be willing to meet and he said fine, preferably Tuesday just after the STD committee meeting. I further suggested that I might ask you if you were interested to attend, and he was most delighted at this prospect.

Looking forward to hearing from you or seeing you at the meeting,



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